UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA OCALA DIVISION

JODY LANE OBO R.W.,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 5:23-cv-276-PRL

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.	

ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned on Defendant's unopposed motion for entry of judgment with remand in which Defendant requests that the Court remand this case so that the Commissioner can take further administrative action. (Doc. 15). Defendant states that Plaintiff has no objection to the Motion to Remand.

Pursuant to Title 42, United States Code, Section 405(g) the Court is empowered to reverse the decision of the Commissioner with or without remanding the cause for a rehearing. *Shalala v. Schaefer*, 113 S. Ct. 2625 (1993). The failure of the ALJ to develop the record constitutes sufficient grounds for remand. *Brissette v. Heckler*, 730 F.2d 548 (8th Cir. 1984), *appeal after remand*, 613 F. Supp. 722 (E.D. Mo. 1985), *judgment aff'd in part, rev'd in part*, 784 F.2d 864 (8th Cir. 1986). On remand under sentence four, the ALJ should review the case on a complete record, including any new material evidence. *Diorio v. Heckler*, 721 F.2d 726, 729 (11th Cir. 1983) (finding that it was necessary for ALJ on remand to consider psychiatric report tendered to Appeals Council); *Reeves v. Heckler*, 734 F.2d 519, 522 n.1 (11th

Cir. 1984) (holding that the ALJ should consider on remand the need for an orthopedic evaluation).

Therefore, the undersigned agrees with the parties that it is appropriate to remand this matter to the Commissioner. Accordingly, it is respectfully ORDERED that:

- (1) Defendant's unopposed motion for entry of judgment with remand (Doc. 15) is **GRANTED**.
- (2) This action is **REVERSED AND REMANDED** pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) to the Commissioner for the following reasons:

the Administrative Law Judge will be instructed to obtain medical expert evidence; further consider whether medical improvement occurred; if a partially favorable or unfavorable decision is issued, prepare the exhibit list in final form with all of the evidence relied upon by the ALJ when making the decision in accordance with HALLEX I-2-1-20; take any other action necessary to complete the administrative record; offer the claimant an opportunity for a hearing; and issue a new decision.

(3) The Clerk is directed to enter judgment accordingly and close the file.

DONE and ORDERED in Ocala, Florida on July 18, 2023.

PHILIP R. LAMMENS

United States Magistrate Judge

Copies furnished to:

Counsel of Record Unrepresented Parties